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To Whom It May Concern

All Industries

### **NOTICE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ISPM NO. 15 FOR IMPORTS**

The Department of Agriculture (DOA) Malaysia will be implementing ISPM no. 15 for imports starting 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010. As such, all wood packaging material (WPM) used in any consignments imported into Malaysia should be treated and marked accordingly as prescribed in the regulation. A grace period of six months from the date of implementation will be given to allow all government agencies, forwarding agents and the importers to familiarize with the necessary requirements.

2. Effective 1<sup>st</sup> July 2010, the following Phytosanitary Measures shall be enforced in the event if the following situations occur:

WPM **with** Approved Marking but live regulated pest found

a) Commodity shall be subjected to treatment at once, if it is not possible, the commodity will be returned to sender/country of origin or destruction of the WPM, all of which is at the exporter's/importer's expense

WPM **without** Approved Marking, with or without live regulated pest found

a) Commodity shall be subjected to immediate treatment at the exporter's/importer's expense.

b) If WPM condition is bad, the WPM will immediately be destroyed at the exporter's/importer's expense or may refused entry.

3. As most countries are now implementing ISPM no. 15, DOA would like to advice that all WPM used in exporting consignments should be treated and marked as required by ISPM no.15.

The official revised 2009 ISPM 15 document is downloadable at <http://www.ippc.int/IPP/En/ispm.jsp> and can be used as reference.

Thank you

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